

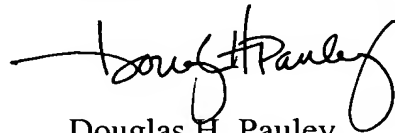
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**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Applicants have canceled Claims 1-30. Applicants have elected to prosecute such claims in other co-pending U.S. Patent Applications.

Applicants kindly request the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to enter the above First Preliminary Amendment before calculating the Filing Fee for this U.S. Patent Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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